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To: Calvin.Cohens@tsa.dhs.gov

Subject: Fwd: Suspicious encounter with the TSA at Norwalk Pax.

**Date:** Tuesday, August 6, 2019 6:19:23 AM

Hey Calvin,

Can you advise?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Mouat, Chris J." <<u>cimouat@lasd.org</u>>
Date: August 6, 2019 at 5:38:45 AM PDT
To: "Greene, Aston" <<u>GreeneA@metro.net</u>>
Cc: "Burcher, John P." <<u>JPBurche@lasd.org</u>>

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Sir,

I just wanted to forward this to you since you mentioned the possibility of the TSA being on the Metro system yesterday.

Is there any way to verify if the TSA had an investigator Edgar Bernardo at the Norwalk station on the Green Line yesterday?

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From: Carrion, Sean A. <<u>SACarrio@lasd.org</u>> Sent: Monday, August 5, 2019 8:39 PM To: Kianpour, Eric A; Mouat, Chris J.

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Gentlemen,

Today at approximately 1730 hrs. while conducting my platform checks at Norwalk Pax, I was alerted by RMI security of a person identifying themselves at TSA and was there to "take notes about the layout of the station". My partner and I approached the

individual who appeared to be of Filipino descent and was wearing tan boots, tan cargo pocket pants and a blue TSA shirt which did appear consistent with the TSA soft uniforms I have seen in the past.

The person identified himself as inspector "Edgar Bernardo" for the TSA and did show what appeared to be legitimate credentials with TSA badge and photo ID. However, stated he had been sent from his superiors to the Green line station to "take notes about activities and the lay out to see if the TSA could provide resources in light of the recent mass shootings over the weekend."

I asked him why he did not contact the Watch Commander if he wanted information? He stated he had the number but did not call him yet. Later at end of shift the W/C (Lt. Walden) stated he had not received any calls from the TSA. I also asked had he contacted the MTA for information? He stated he had been at Union Station earlier in the day "gathering information".

We spoke for approximately 20 minutes and he did appear to have knowledge of the TSA but was taking notes about our conversations of the parking lots, bus lines and the Green line, including asking for my name and employee number.

He provided two phone numbers were provided 310 - 242 - 6398 - office and 310 560 - 3723 - cell phone. A call to the office line had a generic answering service message to leave a message. A person did pick up and answer the cell phone line as "Inspector Bernardo".

The person does appear to be a TSA employee on the surface, however it does strike as odd the TSA would send inspectors out to the transit lines without a courtesy call to the W/C or make other notifications. As a precaution I have submitted a JRIC Lead Sheet, TIP ID # 1295-W8972.

By all accounts it does appear this person is with the TSA, however as previously stated I find it odd the TSA would send out inspectors to the LASD areas and at the minimum provide us with a courtesy call to avoid any misunderstandings.

I will be in tomorrow for AM shift if you have any further questions.

Respectfully,

Deputy S. Carrion # 411972